

POLICE WILL HALT ALL CHILDREN WHO HANG ON VEHICLES

Death of Girl Cited by Major Pullman as Evidence of Danger.

MANY ACCIDENTS ON RECORD

Parents Appealed to by Officials to Break Up Dangerous Mode of Play.

Cognizant of the dangers which beset children who catch hold of or ride on skates on the rear of automobiles and other vehicles, emphasized yesterday by the crushing to death of little Alice Helser in Blair road, Major Pullman, Chief of Police, today declared that all minors violating the law in this respect will be liable henceforth to prosecution in the juvenile court.

"We must protect children from themselves," declared Major Pullman today. "There is a police ordinance against this dangerous practice, and the practice must be broken up."

Many Accidents Caused. "We do not intend to arrest all little ones we catch violating the ordinance right now. We first want to seek the co-operation of parents and adults to aid us in the breaking up of the practice, and then if we become convinced that this co-operation cannot bring about its abolition we will have to make examples of some children for the benefit of the entire juvenile contingent of the city."

Numerous accidents and near-accidents have occurred as the result of children catching on to motors and street cars and other vehicles during the past few years. Most of the time the child who is on skates or on a bicycle. Parents never seem to realize the dangers which confront their little ones who do these things.

"The realize too late, the perils of such play. "Only recently two policemen in civilian clothes took a small boy from the rear of a wagon in Southeast Washington and warned him not to play in such a manner again. The child was on roller skates. In less than an hour after he had been warned, the little fellow was picked up with a crushed leg, which was subsequently amputated. Now the child will go through life minus a limb."

Regulation Forbids Practice.

The police regulation against the practice of children playing around moving vehicles reads as follows: "A minor shall not jump, climb, or hang upon or take hold of a vehicle or street railway or steam railroad car or locomotive while in motion."

Major Pullman explained that the penalty for violation of the ordinance was from \$1 to \$40 fine.

"The police do not want to urge the imposition of such penalties," said Mr. Pullman. "We want the co-operation of parents and guardians of children, but such co-operation proves to be powerless to stop the practice then some will have to suffer for the safety of the rest."

Inspector Clifford Grant, chief of detectives, also was emphatic in his declarations that something must be done to bring up the practice. "I hardly ever go into a residential neighborhood but what I am confronted with the children of the neighborhood take while skating or riding bicycles," declared Inspector Grant. Fear of being arrested or of being punished in some way must be put in the hearts of children for their own good to keep them off the backs of automobiles, street cars and wagons. I heartily agree with Major Pullman that prosecution under Police regulation against the practice is the only thing left for us to do if co-operation with the parents does not bring results in abolishing this method of play."

Officials of the Washington Railway and Electric Company and the Capital Traction Company today expressed satisfaction over the publicity proposed by Major Pullman. The companies are now co-operating in a campaign of education in the public schools, in an attempt to reduce the accidents on the streets.

Boilers have been distributed to the children, bearing several pictures of the ways in which accidents occur.

ACCIDENT VERDICT IN DEATH OF CHILD

A coroner's jury yesterday afternoon held that the death of eight-year-old Alice Helser, of Silver Spring, Md., who was crushed under the wheels of an automobile truck in Blair road near the District line while on her way to school yesterday morning, was an "unavoidable accident."

The testimony showed that the little girl slipped under the rear wheel when she attempted to climb on the running board. John Nolte, twenty years old, driver of the truck, was exonerated.

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District Now Is Near Freedom From Debt

Outstanding Obligations of 3.65 Bonds Only \$6,179,900, With Credits Bringing Amount Below Six Million Mark—Per Capita Indebtedness About \$17.

The District of Columbia is progressing steadily toward the goal of freedom from debt. This is shown today by the annual report of the Treasurer of the United States on the funded indebtedness of the District.

The report shows that the District now has a funded debt, represented by outstanding 3.65 bonds, of only \$6,179,900, and certain credits reduce this amount considerably below the six-million mark.

As the debts of municipalities go, the District of Columbia today occupies an enviable position. Auditor Treadwell said today that there are comparatively few cities in the world of the size of the National Capital with a bonded indebtedness so small.

Treasurer Burke's report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1916, shows that the bonded debt of the District has been reduced from \$2,308,650 in 1879 to less than six million dollars. The reduction has been steady, although more appreciable gains have been made in recent years, as the District "got on its feet" financially.

Amount Held in Trust. Against the outstanding bonds of \$6,179,900, there is an offset of \$908,000, representing an amount now held in trust for the sinking fund.

One remarkable feature of the report is that showing how a profit was made for the District by the purchase of United States consols of 1920. This profit amounted to \$7,126.27. In addition, interest of \$30,555 was realized last year on United States bonds held in trust for the District sinking fund.

The actual bonded indebtedness of the District is thus reduced below \$6,000,000 and the per capita indebtedness amounts to about \$17.

If Congress were to permit the utilization of surplus District revenues for the wiping out of its debt this municipality would quickly assume a position of absolute freedom from outstanding obligations.

A recapitulation of the funded obligations of the District and the reductions thereof follows:

Debt on July 1, 1879.....\$22,106,450.00
Decrease by operation of sinking fund otherwise.....\$17,180,900.00
Increase by issue of 3.65 bonds.....1,354,055.00

Net reduction of debt.....15,926,750.00
Outstanding.....6,179,900.00

Interest charge July 1, 1879.....1,035,759.12
Interest charge June 30, 1916.....225,508.36

Net reduction of interest charge.....790,192.77
Total issue of 3.65 bonds to date (issue limited by law to \$15,000,000).....14,997,300.00
Amount retired.....8,817,400.00

Total 3.65 bonds outstanding as above.....6,179,900.00

NEW EFFORTS MADE AGAINST BAD CHECKS

Retail Merchants Plan to Report All Cases to Members.

In an effort to stamp out the bad check evil, members of the credit men's section of the Retail Merchants' Association will report the receipt of all bad checks immediately to the association's credit bureau; the bureau will notify each store subscribing to the bureau of the identity of the maker of the check, and the check will then be referred to the District Attorney's office.

This program of procedure was determined upon yesterday at the first of the bi-monthly luncheons held by the credit men's section since the summer recess at the Raleigh Hotel. Four instances of the receipt of bad checks by members of the section were reported.

Secretary Charles J. Columbus announced that at the reconvening of Congress another effort would be made to have a bad check law enacted.

DANIELS TO TAKE STUMP NEXT WEEK

Leaves Sunday for Mid-West Tour in Wilson's Behalf.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels will leave Sunday night for a mid-West stumping tour to last until November 1. His first stop will be at Greencastle, Ind., Monday.

He will speak at various places in that State Tuesday, will go to Kentucky Wednesday, and from there through Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, and Nebraska. The respective State Democratic committees are arranging his itinerary.

Joker With Hose Causes Friend's Death

WILMINGTON, Del., Oct. 13.—John Carr, thirty, of Philadelphia, who has been boarding at 211 West street, died at the Homeopathic Hospital last night as a result of an unusual accident.

While in the yard of his boarding house with friends a few days ago he climbed a tree. One of his friends playfully turned a hose on him, and in trying to get out of range Carr fell from the tree and fractured his skull.

WILL SAY MASS FOR SPANISH CARMELITES

Special Services Planned at C. U. Sunday Morning.

Mass for the new institution of the Spanish Carmelites of Tucson, Ariz., who recently established a house of study at the Catholic University, will be said Sunday morning by Bishop Shahan, rector of the university.

The Spanish Carmelites have been established in Arizona for eight years, where they have fourteen parishes. They also have parishes in many of the States.

The institution here will be known as the College of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. The Rev. Joseph Maria Isasi, of the order of Discalced Carmelites, is the superior of the order.

Cardinal Gibbons will preside at the opening of the new house of studies of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, generally known as the Oblate Fathers, and will bless the institution on Thursday, November 16.

Bishop Shahan, of the Catholic University, will say the mass. Bishop Fallon, of London, Ontario, former pastor of the Holy Angels' Church, in Buffalo, is to preach.

Magical Effect of Simple Face Peeler

To maintain a clear, white, youthful complexion, there's nothing so simple to use and yet so effective as ordinary mercurized wax, which you can get at any drug-store. Just apply the wax at night as you would cold cream. In the morning wash it off with warm water. If you've never tried it you can't imagine the magical effect of this harmless home treatment. It causes the old worn-out skin to come off in minute particles, a little at a time, and soon you have entirely shed the offensive cuticle. The fresh young underlain now in evidence is so healthy and girlish looking, so free from any appearance of artificiality, you wonder why you had not heard of this marvelous complexion-renewing secret long ago.

Equally magical in its action is a simple wrinkle-removing lotion made by dissolving an ounce of powdered ascorbic in a half pint of witch hazel. Bathing the face in this for two or three minutes immediately affects every line and furrow and improves facial contour wonderfully.—Advt.

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9c for Guaranteed Tooth Brushes, Etc.

Such sales occur only three times annually. Last sale in May. Next sale—next February.

Basement Store Specials For Tomorrow

\$2.29 \$2.69 Value "Perfect" Oil Heater, Japanese trim, metal oil tank.	39c 50c Value Garbage Can, with tight fitting cover, heavy galvanized iron.	98c \$1.75 Value Double Boiler of well selected aluminum.
\$2.25 Rotary Ash Sifter, heavy galvanized iron. \$2.95 value.	49c Serving Tray, cretanne bottom, glass covered, mahogany finish frame; 80c value.	79c Frying Pans, pure aluminum, 89c value.
25c to 65c Gas—heats and cooks at the same time; prices.	89c One (1) 98c Big Wonder Cedar Oil Floor Mop, 1 1/2 can Big Wonder Cedar Oil. Regular price \$1.13. The two for.....	\$1.25 Economy Bread Mixer and Raiser, capacity 2 to 6 loaves. \$2.00 value.
98c Casseroles, broproof, with heavy nickel-plated fancy frame; \$1.25 value.	\$1.49 \$2.50 Nickel-plated Gas Iron, complete with tubing and stand.	39c 55c Roller Skates, extension; steel wheels; for boys and girls.
59c Bristle Floor Broom.	10c Electric Irons, complete, ready to use; guaranteed 10 years.	\$6.50 Gas Range—3 large top burners and oven; very special.
69c \$1.00 Value The American Meat and Vegetable Chopper, with 5 steel knives and cook book.	98c Ironing Board on stand, with iron racket. \$1.25 value.	
\$1.98 White Enamel Bathroom Stool, rubber-tipped legs.		

Automobile Display!

The Washington Times

For September, 1914, 8,998 Lines
For September, 1915, 9,755 Lines
For September, 1916, 34,242 Lines

A Gain Over 1915 of

351%

Automobile dealers and agents find the columns of

The Saturday Evening Times

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